STATE OF VERMONT PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7816

Petition of Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc., for	
a Certificate of Public Good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A.)
Section 248, authorizing the expansion of Jay Peak)
Substation #40 located at the Jay Peak Resort in)
the Town of Jay, Vermont)

Order entered: 12/22/2011

PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM AND SCHEDULING ORDER

On November 21, 2011, Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("VEC"), filed a petition, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248, requesting that the Vermont Public Service Board ("Board") authorize the expansion of Jay Peak Substation #40 located at the Jay Peak Resort in the Town of Jay, Vermont.

On December 15, 2011, I held a prehearing conference in this Docket. Appearances were entered by: Joslyn Wilschek, Esq., Primmer Piper Eggleston & Cramer PC, on behalf of VEC; Donald Einhorn, Esq., on behalf of the Agency of Natural Resources; and Aaron Kisicki, Esq., on behalf of the Vermont Department of Public Service.

At the prehearing conference, the parties discussed a proposed schedule, including dates for a public hearing. I adopt the proposed schedule, with some modifications, ¹ as set forth below.

January 11, 2012	Round I discovery on Petitioner
January 25, 2012	Round I Responses to discovery

^{1.} I have provided additional time in the schedule for the filing of Round II discovery on the Petitioner to occur after the deadline for motions for intervention to allow potential intervenors the opportunity for meaningful participation in discovery.

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January 26, 2012	Site visit ² and public hearing
February 3, 2012	Motions to intervene due
February 7, 2012	Responses to motions to intervene
February 10, 2012	Round II discovery on Petitioner
February 24, 2012	Round II responses to discovery
March 2, 2012	Parties file stipulation or parties file proposed schedule
	for remainder of proceeding
March 22, 2012	Tentative Technical Hearing ³ if stipulation is reached

Given the timeframe between the deadlines for filing intervention requests and filing information requests on the petitioner, interested persons who wish to intervene are encouraged to file such a motion before the February 3 deadline.

Because the case is being heard by a Hearing Officer, parties need file only an original and three copies of all filings and one copy of discovery requests and responses. Electronic filings with the Board, in addition to the required hard copies, are also requested to the extent possible, particularly for testimony, exhibits, and briefs. An electronic filing may be submitted as an attachment to e-mail sent to psb.clerk@state.vt.us, or it may be on a CD or DVD delivered along with the paper copy. Parties need file only a single copy of the CD or DVD. Parties filing electronic versions of documents may file them in WordPerfect, Word, Excel, .rtf, or .pdf (Adobe) formats. Parties filing in .pdf format should ensure that their documents are not locked, that is, that text can be selected and copied from their documents.

SO ORDERED.

^{2.} The site visit will begin at 3:00 P.M.

^{3.} The Technical Hearing would begin at 1:30 P.M.

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Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 22nd day of December, 2011.

s/Mary Jo Korlewski
Mary Jo Krolewski
Hearing Officer

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: December 22, 2011

ATTEST: s/Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board

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